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January-May, 2010	Remote Alaska Enumeration	Enumeration of sparsely settled villages before spring thaw
February-April 2010	Questionnaire Assistance Centers	Walk-in centers open to answer respondent questions
February-July 2010	Telephone Questionnaire Assistance	Toll free lines operating to answer respondent questions
Feb. 1-March 19, 2010	Group Quarters Advance Visit	Census takers arrange for ideal dates/times for the enumeration of residents of group quarters
March 1 – April 2	Update/Leave Enumeration	Census takers deliver census questionnaires in rural areas (9 percent of all housing units) for respondents to fill out and mail back
March 8-10 , 2010	Advance Letter for mailout of questionnaires	Households in Mail-out/Mail-back areas (about 90% of the country) receive advance letter announcing census questionnaire is coming in the mail
March 15-17, 2010	Mail-out Questionnaires	Households in mail-out/mail-back areas receive census questionnaires in the mail
March 22- May 29, 2010	Update/Enumerate Operation	Census takers visit housing units in very remote areas (e.g., many Indian reservations) and conduct the census at the door
March 22-24 , 2010	Reminder Card	Postcard sent to remind people to return their Census questionnaires and to thank them if they already did
March 29- March 31, 2010	Service Based Enumeration	Census takers conduct the census enumeration of shelters for people experiencing homelessness, and of other service-based locations
April 1, 2010	Census Day	Reference date for the information recorded on the census questionnaire
April 1-10, 2010	Replacement Questionnaire	Second questionnaire sent in some mailout/mailback areas to increase mail response rates
April 10, 2010	March to the Mailbox	Activities designed to promote response in 6,000 low-participating census tracts
April-May 2010	Group Quarters Enumeration	Enumeration of group quarters occurs
May 1-July 10, 2010	Nonresponse Follow-Up	All housing units that do not return their questionnaire will be visited by an enumerator, who will conduct the

		census at the door
July –August 2010	Vacant and Delete Check	Questionnaires classified as vacant or delete during the previous operations are re-visited to verify the status
August-October 2010	Census Coverage Measurement Person Interview	Independent, parallel survey to measure quality of coverage in the census
December 31, 2010	Apportionment Deadline	Delivery of population counts and apportionment of House seats to the President
December 2010	Release of demographic analysis	Estimates of population size using vital statistics as well as estimates of immigration and emigration. Multiple estimates based on this method will be released as a tool to evaluate the census.
March 31, 2011	Redistricting Data Deadline	Date by which the Census Bureau is required to provide small-area population counts to the legislature and governor of each state for use in redrawing congressional and state legislative district boundaries
December 2012	Census Coverage Measurement	Results published based on the survey to measure the quality of census coverage

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